

Washington, DC (September 14, 2011) – For months, the Department of Justice has dodged questions related to its involvement in gun walking programs such as "Fast and Furious" in Arizona.

After reports that gun walking programs may have existed throughout the country, and possibly in the Tampa area, Rep. Gus Bilirakis (FL-09) began questioning the involvement and intent of this flawed and dangerous program.

Bilirakis, a member of the House Homeland Security Committee, [has again written a letter to Attorney General Eric Holder](#) demanding answers to pressing questions about the involvement in and knowledge of these programs by the DOJ and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF).

"It appears that the DOJ and ATF acted in an extremely misguided manner and that this reprehensible program has resulted in the loss of human life and property," Bilirakis said. "To date, the administration has not cooperated with this investigation, but we must get to the bottom of this problem and that is why I will continue to investigate who knew what about these gun walking schemes."

Numerous reports have shown that the administration knowingly allowed weapons to get into the hands of dangerous criminals, resulting in the death of at least two federal agents. The U.S. is also unable to account for thousands of weapons it allowed to pass into the hands of criminals.

[Read Bilirakis' letter to Holder here](#) .